

KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

Jan. 19, 2017

Guests- Ryan Sedley of Heritage Oaks Bank was brought by Ben McAdams.

Crab Feed (2/18)- Ticket sales are coming along. Please get any auction items to Diana Meyer as early as possible as she needs time to make up the various baskets of items.

Soap Box- Lynn Cooper gave a brief summary of his more than 8 decades on the planet. He has been married for 58years, a Kiwanian for 53, a Korean War vet, a Caballeros participant for 50 yrs., a former Mayor of SLO, and a current realtor.

Joke- Gary Simas squeaked by with a dog joke (see program).

Fines & Happy Bucks- Gary Simas did not fine himself for the joke. Secret Greeter Lynn Cooper shook hands with everybody but the dogs. Jim Nielsen paid for a poor intro. Mike Murphy gave for his phone ringing and being a big loser at poker. Roger Jump was hit for ignoring the fine master. Lynn Cooper admitted to malfunctioning as the Secret Greeter. Rich Carsel reported Leslie Cone was doing well after a 2nd back surgery. Doc Steele was happy about scoring in a bridge competition. George Petty assuaged his guilt about not being fined last week over a joke and poor intro. Bart Topham was hit for not fining him.

Program- Our speakers were John Benton, Nicole Hern, and Roza Mendoza of the New Life organization who were accompanied by dogs Olaf, Carmel, and Hercules. More than 22 veterans commit suicide daily, usually secondary to Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSD). New Life provides service dogs to veterans at no cost. These dogs help the vet interact with the public and relieve their stress. Their mission is to save lives through the healing power of the human-canine relationship. The program also involves training with inmates at CMC which both helps the inmates and reduces training costs.

Drawings- \$10- Doc Steele

\$30- George Petty

Flag- Lynn Cooper

Fine Free- Tom Tolbert

Song- James Shammas

Joke- John Durant

Inspiration- Jim Nielsen

Soap Box- Jim Irwin

Membership (\$75)- Ben McAdams picked the diamond 6.

Next Program- The Marine Mammal Center.

Troop Parcels- Si will be bringing the parcels this week. Thanks to all who signed up.